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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE RESPONSE: EXISTENCE OF COVERT URANIUM ENRICHMENT  
FACILITY IN IRAN

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1. (SBU) P/E Chief delivered reftel demarche jointly with the French DCM (at Embassy of France's request) to the Deputy Director of the Libyan MFA's International Organizations Office, Murat Humaima, on September 30. Humaima responded that Libya was unequivocally against nuclear enrichment for military purposes and was supportive of nonproliferation goals. The best evidence of that, he said, was Libya's unilateral decision in 2003 to dismantle its Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) programs. Humaima said that while he had not heard from the Iranian side on the issue, he expected the Iranians to reach out to convey an explanation of their activities. After proper review, he said, Libya would be able to take proper action vis-a-vis the Iranians.

2. (SBU) Humaima expressed Libya's strong position against the use of sanctions to address breaches of international obligations; rather, such situations must be resolved through discussion and diplomacy. He said that the October 1 meeting of the P5+1 in Geneva to discuss the issue was the right approach. The GOL believes the matter belongs to the IAEA and should not be addressed within the UN Security Council context. The GOL is, however, supportive of POTUS's initiatives on nonproliferation as articulated during the September 24 UNSC meeting.

3. (SBU) UK DCM informed P/E Chief separately September 30 that he had delivered the same demarche the previous day. While the GOL response was largely the same, his interlocutor had not mentioned the GOL position against sanctions.

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